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Patent Application of

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For: LIQUID CRYSTAL COMPOSITION,
POLYMERIZATION PRODUCT,
RETARDATION PLATE AND
ELLIPTICALLY POLARIZING
PLATE

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FIRST INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, the accompanying information is being submitted in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.98, a copy of each of the documents cited is enclosed.

The documents are being submitted within three (3) months of the filing or entry of the national stage of this application or before the first Office Action on the merits, whichever is later. Since these documents are being filed within the time period set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b), no fee or statement is required.

The Examiner's attention is directed to copending application number 10/777,167, naming Hideyuki Nishikawa et al. as inventors and filed on February 13, 2004, and the documents cited therein, a copy of which is enclosed.



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